



Similar stupidity

There are some mind-blowing similarities between what Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin is saying in the United States during his current trip and what former American presidents up to and including Richard Nixon said during the difficult years of involvement in Vietnam.

Mr. Rabin said in a White House toast that Israel must be strong if it is to make peace, and that "we can only achieve peace with dignity through strength." He is also ready to tell the American Congress and the American people that Israel can only enter peace negotiations from a position of strength.

Has anyone yet forgotten America's near mania about negotiating with the North Vietnamese from a position of strength? Have we retained some faint images of presidents in search of "peace with honour"?

America was perpetuating a hoax then and Mr. Rabin is pushing a similar hoax today.

The U.S. sent half a million troops to Vietnam and said it had to send more troops and guns to protect the American troops already there from Communist attacks. The solution was not to send more troops to protect the first batch sent, but to pull the first batch out and thus get out of the troop protection business altogether.

The situation is similar with Mr. Rabin. His country sits on occupied Arab territories and claims it needs to be strong to defend itself from Arab states who do whatever they have to do to liberate their lands and people. Mr. Rabin says he needs more guns and money and Phantoms to perpetuate his occupation. What he should do — like the United States finally woke up and did — is get out of the occupation business altogether and see how pleasant life is when one's relations with close neighbours are governed by the principles of co-existence, and not domination.

For Mr. Rabin to talk about "peace with dignity" is a mouthful of gobbledegook unequalled since Johnson and Nixon muttered silly phrases about "peace with honour." Peace will not be dignified for Mr. Rabin unless it is, first and foremost, a peace that is just and comprehensive. He will never achieve his peace if he goes about it by asking the U.S. people and government to support his present policies with an unlimited supply of money, arms and vetoes.

Israeli policies are geared to a perpetuation of the present lull, and have never had the basic impetus towards a comprehensive peace that the American people and leaders would willingly support. The Americans have heard talk of "peace with dignity" and "negotiating from strength" before, and they have been burned once. It is unlikely that they will allow themselves to be burned — or fooled — too many times more.

ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

"The American veto was expected," Al-Rai started its editorial Wednesday, and all efforts by American diplomacy to ignore the existence of the Palestinians in the Middle East conflict have met with total failure, it continued.

The one-sided American stand with the Israelis is a hindrance to the role played by the United States in its hopes for a settlement, the paper said.

The Middle East situation is at a crossroads today, facing either the reconvening of the Geneva conference, based on resolution, 242 or Syria's decision to take up the issue of the United Nations observer forces in which the explosive situation would return to the area and the "achievements" of Dr. Kissinger would dwindle away, the paper concluded.

Ad Dustour said that the United States has committed a historical error in vetoing the U.N. resolution, by giving up a rare chance for real peace in the area.

"The veto", the paper said, "would weaken the American 'mediation' role to achieve a just peace in the area."

"The United States has not changed her complete commitment towards Israel through her ignorance of the wishes and aspirations of the Palestinian people, who are the essence and core of any solution to the Middle East problem," the paper said.

Nablus residents resist Israeli settlement plans

AMMAN, (JNA). — Israeli occupation authorities are going ahead with setting up of settlements at Kafr Qaddoum village, in the Nablus district, despite resistance by the villagers and other Nablus District inhabitants to the Israeli designs.

Press reports from Jerusalem said 15 prefab houses, supplied with electricity have been erected in the Kafr Qaddoum area, which has led to angry demonstrations in Nablus and district villages against the Zionist settlement policy. The Israeli police have come in force to dispose the demonstrations.

The same press sources reported that the Israeli extremist movement Gush Emonim will make a new attempt to put up a settlement in the Jericho area. They have written to Israeli Premier Yitzhak Rabin informing him of their intention and expecting him to give his blessing to the plan.

Cabinet acts on 3 laws

AMMAN, (JNA). — In a three-hour meeting Wednesday the cabinet adopted several laws regarding the telecommunication corporation, historical ruins in Jordan and the amended law for employees of the cooperative society.

The first law gives the Telecommunication Corporation more leniency to carry out its contracts so as to perform the services it shoulders in the most efficient manner & in the shortest time.

The law of antiquities, which conforms with UNESCO resolutions to preserve antiquities wealth in all states, said that all historical ruins are the property of the state.

Integration committee meets

DAMASCUS, Jan. 28, (JNA). — At its meeting here Wednesday, the Permanent Committee for Diplomatic Coordination and Integration between Jordan and Syria, approved a number of recommendations after the two sides found their points of views to be identical, a spokesman for the Committee said.

All-national egg supply by year's end

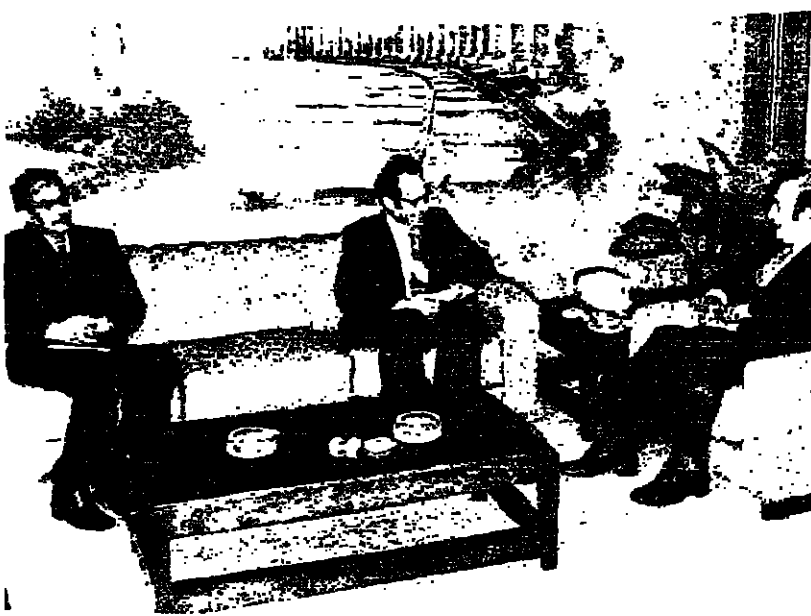
AMMAN, (JT). — Jordan is expected to attain self-sufficiency in egg produce, by the end of this year, the Minister of Agriculture Mr. Merwan el Humud said Friday.

Mr. Humud said that during last year 104 million eggs were produced in various poultry farms in Jordan, comprising 526 thousand laying hens. "If we added to this 23 million eggs from local hens, the total egg produce in Jordan during last year should have reached 137 millions, i.e. 70% of the general consumption."

Furthermore, 59 millions eggs were imported, raising total consumption to 196 million eggs.

The minister of agriculture indicated that about 35 new poultry farms are being established, comprising 165 thousand hens with approximate yield of 40 million eggs a year.

"In the light of these figures, we may suppose that by the end of this year and when the newly-established poultry farms start work, Jordan would have achieved self-sufficiency in locally-produced eggs," the Minister explained.



HI-LEVEL MEETING. — Premier Rifai receives the visiting Syrian Ministers in his office.

Swedish firms eye Jordanian products

AMMAN, (JNA). — Private Swedish companies have expressed a desire to import rubber and plastic shoes from Jordan, after ascertaining the good quality of the Jordanian goods and their compliance with international specifications.

The Director of the Amman Chamber of Industry, Mr. Ali Dajany, said Wednesday the Swedish government has offered substantial customs facilities for prospective Swedish importers of Jordanian and other developing countries' production.

Mr. Dajany said his organisation has asked all interested industries in Jordan to approach the Swedish importers to work out agreements on prospective deals.

More action taken to help solve Aqaba port jam

AMMAN, (JNA). — New measures to help solve the congestion problem at Aqaba port will be implemented until the enlargement of the port with new piers, quays and storage spaces is completed, the Under-Secretary of the Ministry of Customs, Mr. Yaseen Al-Kayed, said Wednesday.

Mr. Kayed added that priority for off-loading will be given to ships with low-tonnage goods, by using all available cranes belonging to the government.

In case of continued congestion, additional cranes would be borrowed from the private sector.

King Hussein meets Syrian ministers

AMMAN. — His Majesty King Hussein received Tuesday at the Royal Hashemite Court Dr. Shaker Fahham, the Syrian Minister of Education, and Mr Ahmad Qablan, the Syrian Minister of Supply and Commerce.

Mr. Zuqan Hindawi Minister of Education, and Mr Ali Hassan were present at the audience.

Earlier Tuesday, Prime Minister Zeid Rifai had received Dr Shaker Fahham, with whom he reviewed the various achievements to date by the committees set up to complete studies on unifying curricula between Syria and Jordan.

The joint Jordanian-Syrian Committees continued their meetings here Wednesday.

They will shortly complete their task, it was learned. The Syrian delegation visited the Women Teacher's College then went sightseeing historic Qalat er Rajl town of Ajlun.

Jordan has shipping food to Lebanon

AMMAN, (JNA). — The World Airway began shipping food to Lebanon, which had ordered sent for relieving the recent civil strife there.

The first plane to leave Amman Tuesday carrying 30 tons of foodstuffs left Tuesday afternoon. Another plane was scheduled to leave Wednesday when shipments will be sent.

The kind has a supply to Lebanon of thousands of tons of flour to quantities of materials, blankets, miller foodstuff.

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AMMAN. — Reg trips by pullman-coach Damascus and Amman inaugurated Sunday.

The project is a recommendation of the Joint Jordanian-Syrian Committee on unifying transport between the two countries.

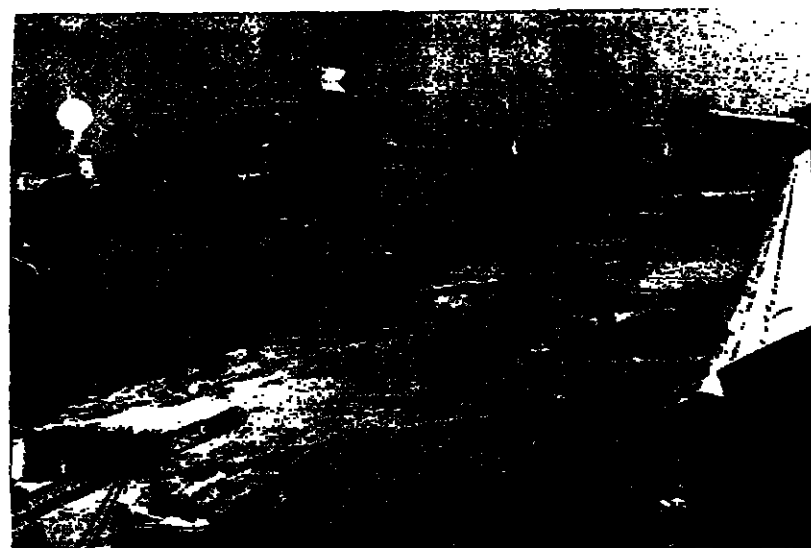
Two pullman buses have simultaneously, man and Damascus 7 a.m.

The Jordanian and the Syrian Kam a trial period of two will operate four times. There will be two from Amman to Damascus departing at 7 p.m. and two from Damascus, departing at the 5 p.m.

During a press interview director of Jet said the first step toward establishment of a transport company from all over the Arab world.

Jet and Karak, have agreed on options with other Arab as well as established houses and hotels in countries that will in the capital of the company.

The pullman buses on the Amman-Damascus are equipped with dining and air conditioning. Hostesses will serve drinks during the trip.



AQABA EXPANDING. — Jordan's only port Aqaba, is the major point of entry for foreign imports.

Additional areas near Aqaba Port will be annexed to accommodate a larger quantity of goods arriving to Jordan and

engines and rail cars in order to facilitate transport of goods. These measures were taken at a meeting in Aqaba presided over by the Minister of Transport, Mr Khaled Al-Haj Hassan.

The meeting was also attended by the Director of Aqaba Port, the Assistant-Director of the Maritime Corporation, as well as representatives of shipping agencies, the Jordanian Garage Union, and clearing companies.

Demographic group plans several surveys

AMMAN. — The Regional Seminar on demographic problems Wednesday resumed its meeting here when the President of the Economic Committee for West Asia, Mr. Riadh Tabbara, reported on demographic, social and economic factors in Jordan.

He said the committee will carry out a comprehensive survey of the Palestinians inside and outside the region, a study of migration among regional countries, and a regional survey of Bedouin tribes in the Arab countries, in addition to a comprehensive survey of Arab scholars and professionals.

Bridge closed for 4 days

AMMAN. — Prince Mohammad Bridge to and from the West Bank will be closed for repairs for a period of four days starting Thursday, sources at the Public Security Department have said.

Incoming and outgoing traffic will be rerouted to King Hussein Bridge.

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Europe progress depends on Antunes, Lisbon minister says

AMMAN, Jan. 28 (AFP). — Answering questions about Portuguese foreign policy, Maj. Antunes said the development of relations with Spain had been helped by Madrid's "positive gesture" of expelling the former Portuguese President, Antonio Spínola.

The Foreign Minister said he was happy with the state of relations between Portugal and the EEC, which has agreed an emergency \$180 million loan.

He is negotiating a new free trade agreement with Mr. Ortoli. But, he said, Portugal had no short or even medium-term plans for full membership of the community.

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HOMELESS IN BEIRUT. — Refugees from the devastated Qarantina shantytown district in Beirut are pictured Wednesday as they gather seeking new homes in the seashore beachclub district of the city. (AP wirephoto).

Beirut on the long road back to peace

BEIRUT, Jan. 28 (R). — The Fruit and vegetables, which grow profusely in the Lebanese mountains and coastal regions, are other main staples for the people of Beirut. They have appeared in parts of the city more or less continuously throughout the crisis — but at four or five times the usual price.

There is little sign yet of prices coming down, though the greengrocers' barrows appear better stocked than before.

Along with food, a major problem for house holds here is the lack of water.

An official announcement last week that some areas would have their water cut for two days was greeted with hollow laughter by housewives who had been making do for weeks with supplies carried from neighbour's taps by troops of little children.

In Beirut, the first slow steps towards a return to normality are taking place in those suburbs which were relatively far from the worst battle areas.

The crowded tenements of these suburbs have seen a vast turnover in people.

Many families who moved to Beirut in search of work during the years of Lebanon's prosperity have moved back to the country districts from where they came.

Others have moved across the city, from dangerous areas to somewhere safer.

Others have moved in with relatives and friends. None of the refugees have much prospect of returning to their former homes.

And there is little prospect of finding a job, because so many factories and offices have been destroyed.

For the people of Beirut, the outlook remains grim — even as they see the possibility of peace.

One man, a former paratrooper with six month's service in

northern Ireland, told jour- nals : "We've been told to keep our mouths shut and I really shouldn't be speaking. This is worth hundreds of pounds to me and there's no way I can get that kind of money doing anything else."

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Spain's Premier announces post Franco reforms

MADRID, Jan. 28, (AFP). — The controversial Spanish anti-terrorist law will be revised "immediately," Premier Carlos Arias Navarro told the Cortes (parliament) today in a speech announcing a long list of proposed reforms.

The anti-terrorist law was put into effect last August 25 before the death of General Franco. One of the provisions of the law criticised by opposition leaders was that Basque nationalists and communists were lumped with terrorists.

Several articles of the penal code contested by the opposition and also by liberals supporting King Juan Carlos will also be revised immediately, the Premier said.

The Premier called for changes in the electoral law that he did not specify, and for transforming the Cortes into a two-house parliament "along the lines" of those in the majority of western European countries.

The law restricting associations will be liberalized although it will not include the term political parties (which are now banned), Mr. Arias Navarro said.

The only associations no longer permitted will be those "who carry the germs of self-exclusion," the Premier admitted.

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announce any labour reforms. Proposing modifications to meet the recent changes in Spanish society was a matter for the Labour Union Congress (set up by the Franco regime), he said.

A basic element of his government's foreign policy was to integrate Spain in Europe, he said. The government would analyse the advantages and disadvantages of joining the North South defence alliance before making a decision.

The main reforms proposed today would be submitted for approval to the Cortes, "the last legislature of Gen. Franco."

The Premier indicated that special courts, including the court of Public Order might be suppressed. Also military tribunals and ecclesiastical courts would remain outside "the essential unity of the court system."

The jurisdiction of ecclesiastical and military courts would be limited to cases strictly concerning them. This apparently meant that civilians could no longer be court-martialed.

The 1966 press law would be "perfected," the Premier said with liberalisation measures "to take account of the new maturity of the means of communications."

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Thailand and Sri Lanka call for peace zone

BANGKOK, Jan. 28, (AFP). — Thai Premier Kukrit Pramoj and visiting Sri Lankan Premier Sirimavo Bandaranaike have pledged their commitment to establishing the Indian Ocean as a zone of peace.

A joint communique released on the departure of Mrs. Bandaranaike for Burma today said the two leaders "affirmed their full commitment to the implementation of the UN declaration to establish the Indian Ocean as a zone of peace free from military rivalry."

The two Prime Ministers talked on "a wide range of topics of mutual interest and common concern in a spirit of cordiality and friendship," the communique pointed out.

They hailed the end of hostilities in Indo-China and "further expressed the belief that with the restoration of peace, countries in the region could co-operate for their mutual benefit on the basis of the five principles of peaceful co-existence."

The Sri Lankan Premier was briefed on developments in the association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) and "welcomed the developments in the region that would contribute to lasting peace and stability."

Premier Kukrit meanwhile

was briefed on the non-aligned movement "particularly in the context of the non-aligned summit to be held in Colombo in August 1976."

"Both leaders agreed that the non-aligned movement has made a notable contribution towards the promotion of world peace."

Thai Foreign Minister Chatchai Choonhavan had said on the arrival of Mrs. Bandaranaike that Thailand was "not yet ready" to join the non-aligned group.

Sri Lanka and Thailand further "agreed that the elimination of the arms race would further consolidate the achievement of the goal of peace and at the same time release resources for the vital tasks of economic and social development," the communique noted.

Reviewing the international economic situation the two leaders were concerned with the developing countries "most seriously affected by the current economic crisis."

They agreed that "increased economic co-operation among the developing countries and greater regional co-operation are essential for the resolution of their problems."

At the same time it was agreed that "the Thai and Sri Lankan governments would jointly study the potential that exists for further expansion of their bilateral economic links."

Sri Lanka is a major buyer of Thai rice having imported 60 thousand tons last year.

The communique finally noted that Thai Premier Kukrit had been invited and accepted to visit Sri Lanka.



JAW OF OLDEST MAN. — The fossilized lower jaw of a man who lived in East Africa 3.75 million years ago is shown behind a silhouetted Dr. Mary Leakey at a press conference in Washington. The famous anthropologist recently announced the finding of jawbones and teeth of eight adults and three children at a site in Tanzania in December 1974. Previously the oldest reliably dated man-like fossils were no more than three million years old.

India will use more foreign aid in 1976

NEW DELHI, Jan. 27 (AFP). — Foreign aid utilisation by India during 1975-76 (April-March) is now estimated at about \$2,133 million, against over \$1,602 million in 1974-75, it was announced here today.

With debt servicing estimated at over \$933 million official figures showed, the net aid would be of the order of about \$1,200 million, against \$768 million last year.

As against the trade deficit of \$1,552 million in 1974-75, the adverse balance of trade had nearly reached the \$1,466 million mark at the end of the first eight months.

Foreign exchange reserves (other than gold and special drawing rights) rose from about \$244 million at the end of March 1975 to nearly \$1,295 million at the end of Dec. 1975. After a drop of about \$253 million at the beginning of 1976, on account of debt payments, the reserves have begun to rise again and stood at over \$1,130 million by the Middle of Jan. 1976, the release said.

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A team from Bangladesh was meanwhile negotiating here for the purchase of 250 thousand tons of crude oil from the Kuwait Oil Company (KOC), officials said.

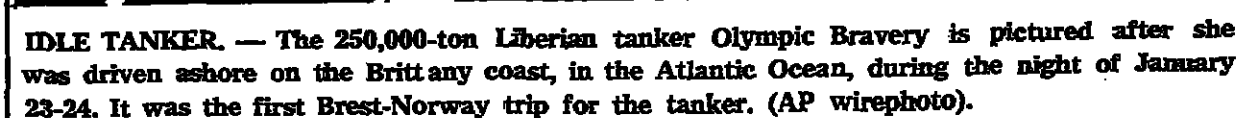
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IDLE TANKER. — The 250,000-ton Liberian tanker Olympic Bravery is pictured after she was driven ashore on the Brittany coast, in the Atlantic Ocean, during the night of January 23-24. It was the first Brest-Norway trip for the tanker. (AP wirephoto).

The terrified girls appealed for help from male colleagues, the unions said. The mill, at Grand-Croix, in the Loire department, struck on Jan. 6 to protest against threatened closure as part of a company reorganisation.

The Everest tunnel tents were given double skins and a minimum of guy lines enabling the climbers to put them up quickly in the extreme conditions of the face of Everest. One of its most spectacular successes was a tent designed for use as a tsetse trap in Africa.

They are negotiating purchase of five handy-sized motor-tankers. On the dry-cargo side, they are, said to have purchased a 5,900-ton twin decker, built in 1962, for \$2.3 million.

HEREFORD BULLS. — Proud owner of the rosettes is 'Beandesert Hypericum,' a 20-month old bull which was judged to be supreme champion at the recent Hereford Herd Book Society's show and sale at Hereford in the English midlands. The animal is owned and was bred by Mrs Anne Hardy of Hockley Heath, Warwickshire, — the sire being 'Beandesert Freedom.' Some 195 animals were sold for a total of £110,397, to average £569.06p for each beast.

Ships wrecked totalled 19,570 tons (eight vessels), compared with the very high figure of 36 vessels of 146,490 tons in the previous quarter.

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OPEC states agree on new \$800m aid fund

PARIS, Jan. 28, (AFP). — The Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) today agreed to provide financial aid to the tune of 800 million dollars to less developed countries this year.

Reliable Arab sources cited this figure after a three-day meeting of OPEC finance ministers here, which formally established an "OPEC special fund" to allocate the aid.

The global figure cited was 200 million dollar less than the target of 1,000 million dollars set by the organisation's finance ministers when they met at Vienna last September.

The sources said two OPEC countries, Indonesia and Ecuador, had been unable to make any commitments at this stage.

But other sources close to the conference said both countries had signed the 13-nation agreement and given their full support, and might announce contributions at a later date.

Mohamed Yeganeh, Iranian minister of state, said the creation of the special fund demonstrated OPEC's active interest in assisting other developing countries and the organisation's solidarity with the third world as a whole.

A communique issued by the OPEC secretariat at the end of the conference made no reference to the amount of aid to be channelled through the fund, which will be managed by a special OPEC board assisted by a secretariat.

It merely said that the fund would provide "interest-free long term loans to developing countries" and would start operating as soon as the agreement had been ratified by the member countries.

An OPEC spokesman said the ratification procedures would be completed "within a month."

The communique gave no details about the criteria for allocation of aid through the fund, and the OPEC spokesman re-

Japan radioactivity count up after Chinese blast

TOKYO, Jan. 28 (AFP). — An abnormal amount of radioactivity was detected in Hachijo Island, south of here. Tuesday following China's recent nuclear test, the Science and Technology Agency reported today.

The Agency said 56 pococuries of radioactivity per millilitre of rain, 560 times more than normal, was detected in a radiological survey at the Hachijo Island Meteorological observatory.

The Agency said it was not yet certain whether China's nuclear test, the 18th it has conducted, was responsible for the high radioactivity reading.

The radioactivity is harmless to the human body because it is still in extremely small quantities, the Agency added.

The U.S. Energy Research and Development Agency has held that the nuclear test was equivalent to 20,000 tons of TNT.

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"If resolutions 242 and 338 of the Security Council comprise the first two elements they included a gap for the third," he said.

"We believe that the resolution which has just been rejected by the Security Council through the U.S. veto had a complementary character to resolutions 242 and 338 and contained the afore-mentioned elements for a global settlement."

White House kiss to star of court

LANDOVER, Maryland, — Jan. 28. — (AFP). — Jack Ford, the youngest son of President Gerald Ford, overjoyed photographers here yesterday when he kissed tennis champion Chris Evert on the cheek after her victory in the finals of the \$75 thousand Washington tournament.

"Do you know what you just did?" Ms. Evert asked him, pointing at the cameramen surrounding them asking for another kiss.

Mr. Ford and Ms. Evert, who went out together several times last week, then left to celebrate the win at an undisclosed location.

Ms. Evert, 21, told reporters that she had arranged to stay an extra several days in Washington to remain close to Mr. Ford, who had invited her to dinner at the White House this week. When a journalist asked whether she would be staying at the Presidential residence during that time, she said: "I don't think so. It would provoke too many questions from the press. But it's really a nice place to see."

6 Ethiopian military leaders are sacked

ADDIS ABABA, Jan. 28, (AFP). — Ethiopia's military rulers today put an end to weeks of ideological feuding within the shadowy 120-man military council—the Derg—by sacking and arresting six Derg members accused of opposing the revolution.

An official communique playing the arrests down, said the six had been given "warnings, prison terms and fines" as punishment for having "harmed the revolution," and abusing the confidence of those who had given them high responsibilities.

The names of the six were not disclosed in official statements to the press. According to widespread rumours in the capital a general and possibly two majors were jailed. Other Ethiopian sources said those arrested were all non-commissioned officers.

The Derg, which has ruled Ethiopia since the overthrow of Emperor Haile Selassie 17 months ago, is held to have been deeply split over ideology for several weeks.

Sahara clashes

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Tarik Aziz also arrived in Rabat today to confer with Moroccan government leaders. It is understood the Iraqi Minister is here in connection with the current conflict over the Western Sahara, and he is on a mediation mission.

The official Algerian news agency APS gave no details of today's clashes nor of the combatants, but linked the fighting to yesterday's Moroccan attack on Algerian troops at Amgala.

Official sources in Rabat said the commanding officer of a regular Algerian army unit and "numerous" soldiers were killed in yesterday's Moroccan assault at Amgala.

They said a total of 29 members of the unit were captured in the incident.

The Algerian news agency APS has reported the incident as an assault on an Algerian unit taking food and medicine to the amgala casis, and there has been no response in Algeria to reports of captures and casualties.

The semi-official Algerian daily El Moudjahid accused world capitalism of being behind Moroccan policy which led to the clash yesterday between Algerian and Moroccan troops in the Western Sahara.



PATTY ON TRIAL — Patricia Hearst is escorted to a U.S. Marshall's car Tuesday during the first day of her trial in San Francisco. (AP wirephoto).

No end to Cod War in sight as Wilson reports to parliament

LONDON, Jan. 28, (AFP). — British Prime Minister Harold Wilson's talks with Icelandic Premier Geir Hallgrimsson did not settle the Anglo-Icelandic "cod war," Mr. Wilson admitted in the House of Commons today.

The question of fishing rights off Iceland was still a "most delicate problem," Mr. Wilson said. He stressed that "it remains of great importance that nothing further should happen on the fishing banks to heighten tension."

Mr. Wilson did not reveal any of the proposals he made to Mr. Hallgrimsson in their talks which ended yesterday. He told the Commons that it was not easy to end the dispute, which followed Iceland's decision last October to claim a fishing zone 200 miles from its shores.

Britain recognised "the importance of adequate measures to conserve fishing stocks" around the Icelandic coast," Mr. Wilson said. This was in Britain's interest as well as Iceland's he said.

Mr. Wilson revealed that he had requested the Icelandic government "in the last two hours" to take all possible measures to prevent any incidents off its coasts that might jeopardise future negotiations.

The Prime Minister said he was "extremely concerned" over reports reaching him from the Icelandic fishing grounds. He added that Britain reserved the right "in the absence or default of an agreement" to protect British fishermen from "harassment and interference" by Icelandic coastguard vessels.

Mr. Wilson added that Britain's North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) allies appreciated Britain's "moderation" in handling the dispute with Iceland, also a member of NATO, and thanked NATO Secretary General Joseph Luns for his good office which has led to the Anglo-Icelandic talks.

Lebanese pact

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been killed in the factional fighting in Lebanon, that was about 50 per cent higher than previous official estimates.

Meanwhile, it was reported that perhaps ten houses were gutted by fire or destroyed, a score or so more deserted in the fierce but short-lived battle of Qabb Elias, which broke out last Sunday in defiance of Lebanon's latest ceasefire. The situation there is quite now, but about 20 people were killed and it did little to alter the overall strategic position in the conflict.

But it served to emphasise the daunting problems of trying to force peace in a country where to pick up a gun and shoot has become a reflex response to the first sign of trouble.

Qabb Elias is a township of about 15,000 people nestling in the foothills of the mount Lebanon range of mountains on the edge of the Bekaa valley, a rich farmland area an hour's drive from Beirut.

To solve Italian crisis Christian Democrats Aldo Moro new mand

ROME Jan. 28, (AFP). — The Christian-Democrat Party today called on caretaker Premier Aldo Moro to make another attempt to put together a new parliamentary majority in order to end Italy's three-week-old political crisis.

Mr Moro's government resigned on Jan. 7 after the Socialists withdrew their support in parliament because they disagreed with his programme for economic recovery, last week the Socialists refused to enter a new cabinet headed by Mr. Moro, as did the small Republican Party.

Mr Moro then proposed forming a minority cabinet of Christian Democrats and he was promised support by the Social Democrats. The Socialists and Republicans, who hold opposing views on economic policy, said they would back Mr. Moro only if they were satisfied with his economic programme.

Earlier today, Remo Gaspari, one of the leaders at the crisis meeting, predicted that any attempt to go before parliament with a solely Christian Democrat cabinet would be tantamount to a "massacre."

Failure to end the crisis would most probably lead to the dissolution of parliament and general elections which would otherwise not be held until next year. Italy's three major trades union confederations today ordered a four-hour general strike on February 6 to protest against possible elections and to demand "a clear and rapid solution to the government crisis."

The unions published a statement deploring the "aggravation of the economic situation" and demanded emergency measures to halt cuts in the number of jobs available. They demanded development prog-

rammes for southern youth employment and bat inflation. In addition, they wanted to be consulted on vestment policies in a related development. The official foreign market will stay close to the country's political solved and a clear economic programme Treasury Minister Emmbro said.

He told the Senat and Treasury Committee decision to close the last Wednesday and a special support of the Bank of Italy was, because the country was out of currency reserves could hardly borrow. Italy's debts now \$ 14,000 million he a

SALT negotiations resume in Geneva. GENEVA, Jan. 28, et Deputy Foreign Vladimir Semyonov are today for resumed Arms Limitation (SALT) with the United States said his delegation, continue "a business-like" for a second-st treaty.

Mr Semyonov said port statement that talks in Moscow between Secretary of State F. D. I. and Soviet le strategic arms control "constructive"

He spoke to reporters before calling on the U.S. delegation, Alexis Johnson, at the Diplomatic Mission.

They met to arrange full session of negotiations since the Geneva process six weeks ago.

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